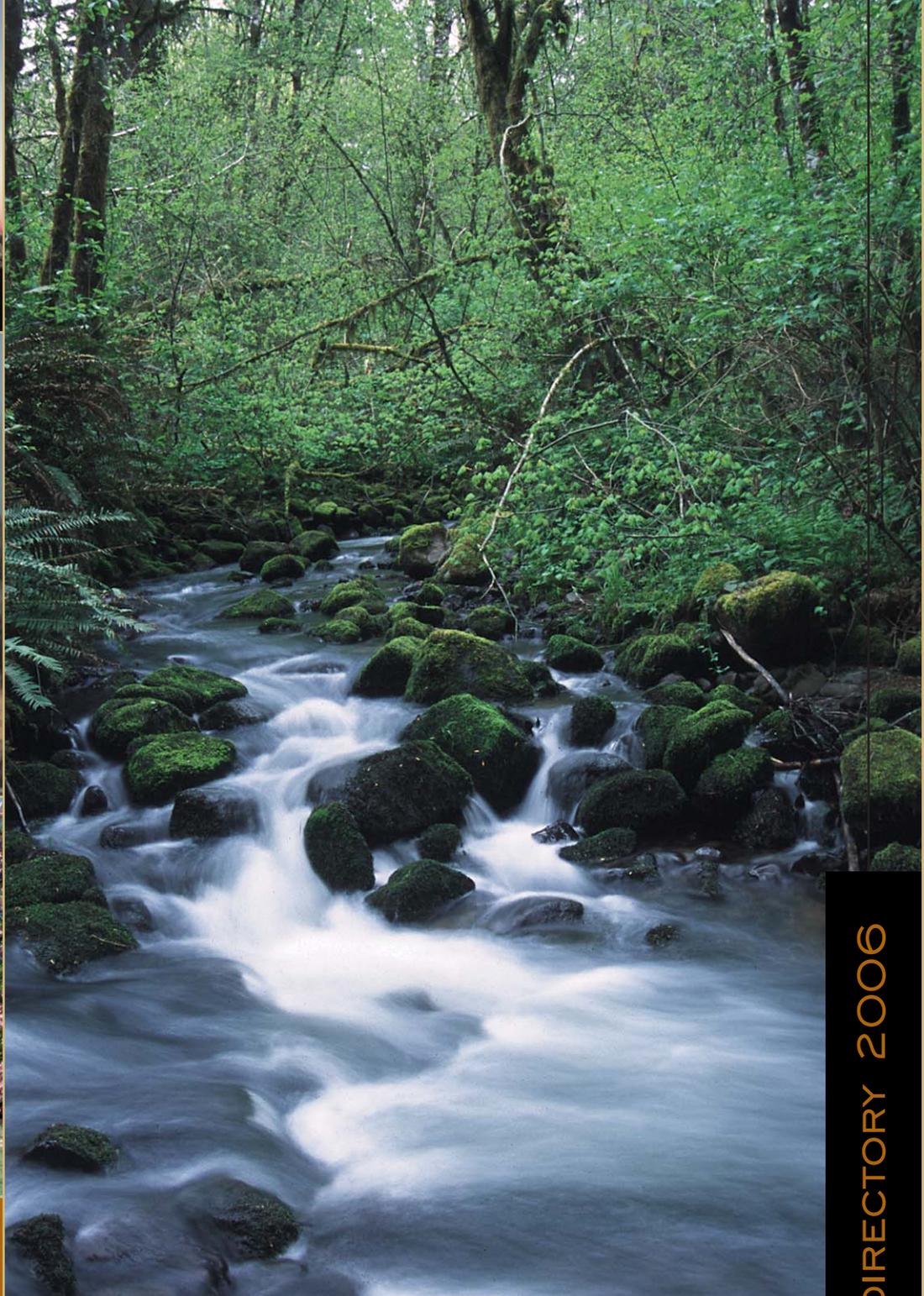
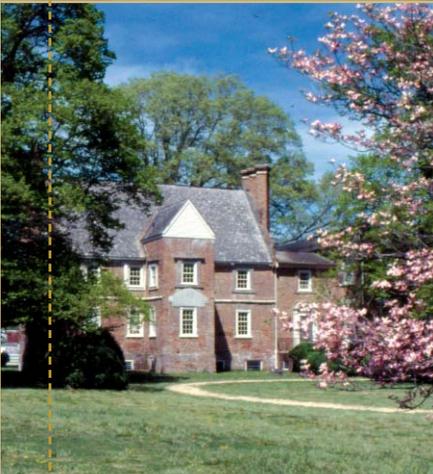


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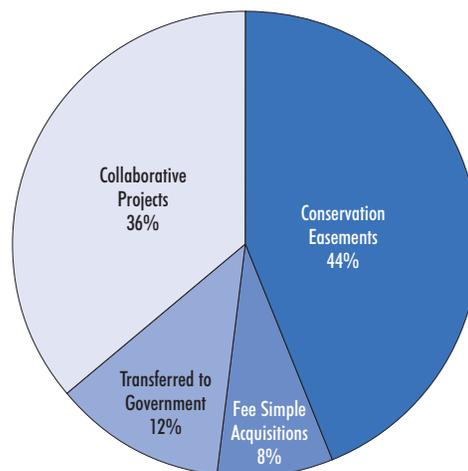
# LAND CONSERVATION IN VIRGINIA

Support for land conservation in Virginia is growing. In the past decade, at least 26 new land trusts or conservation organizations have been established to serve the Commonwealth. Such widespread growth is exciting, but keeping track of the many groups dedicated to land conservation in Virginia can be overwhelming. From the Chesapeake Bay to the Blue Ridge Mountains, land trusts, state agencies and conservation organizations work together to preserve Virginia's farms, forests, wetlands, battlefields and other natural and historic resources. The Virginia Land Conservation Directory identifies where and how land conservation is occurring in Virginia.

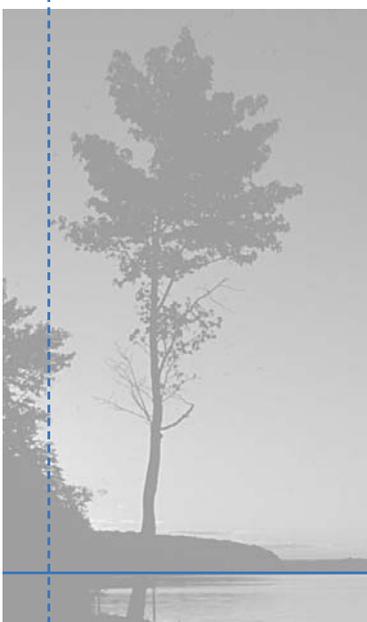
The majority of this directory highlights land trusts, which are private, nonprofit organizations that hold land in trust for the public welfare. Land trusts use several tools to conserve land, including conservation easements, acquisition and partnerships with other organizations and public agencies.

The most common tool is the conservation easement, a permanent voluntary agreement between a private landowner and a land trust. A conservation easement protects a property's conservation value by placing restrictions on the use and development of the land. The private landowner retains full ownership and use of the land subject to mutually agreed upon restrictions. Landowners usually donate conservation easements to land trusts, but land trusts occasionally purchase easements from landowners suffering from financial hardship. Landowners who donate easements may be eligible for significantly favorable state and federal tax treatment.

## Cumulative Land Protection by Virginia Land Trusts\*



\*This chart reflects data provided by individual land trusts. The accuracy of the data is dependent on the accurate record keeping of each trust.



No matter how a land trust receives an easement, the holder of the easement is required to periodically monitor the easement and enforce the restrictions placed on it. Land trusts often co-hold easements with other land trusts; this form of cooperation helps smaller land trusts afford the costs of monitoring and enforcement while providing a local presence for larger organizations.

Another land conservation tool is property acquisition, in which a land trust purchases the fee simple title to a property. The land trust then receives full use and ownership of the land.

Often, land trusts also form partnerships with other land trusts, state agencies and local governments to share the costs of acquiring land with high conservation value. These collaborative projects vary from co-holding easements to pooling funds to purchasing contiguous properties.

In Virginia, state agencies assist land conservation through grants, mapping and data resources, and statewide conservation programs. Grants help to fund acquisition of land and conservation easements, while mapping and data resources identify land with high conservation value. Statewide conservation programs also provide financial incentives and technical assistance to private landowners who want to conserve land.

Finally, private, nonprofit conservation organizations support land conservation through education and advocacy. These groups inform private landowners about land trusts, conservation easements, environmental reports and studies, and other topics related to land conservation. By lobbying federal, state and local legislative bodies, these groups advocate for land conservation funding and laws that protect natural and historic resources.

## WHO ARE THE LAND TRUSTS?

A diverse group of land trusts serves Virginia. While some land trusts focus on preserving a particular resource such as a river basin, others protect a variety of land features (farms, wetlands, forests) existing within a particular geographic area. A few land trusts protect historic resources, and one conserves sites of archeological importance.

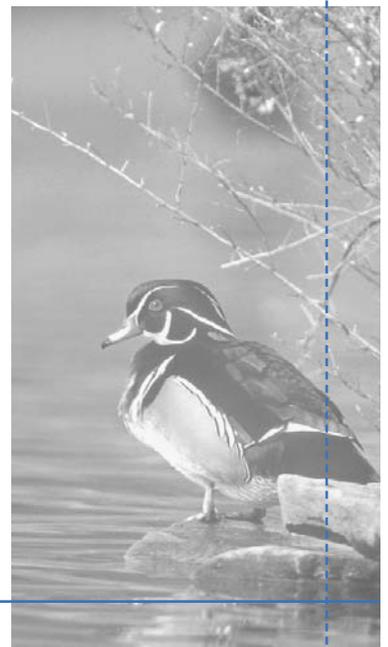
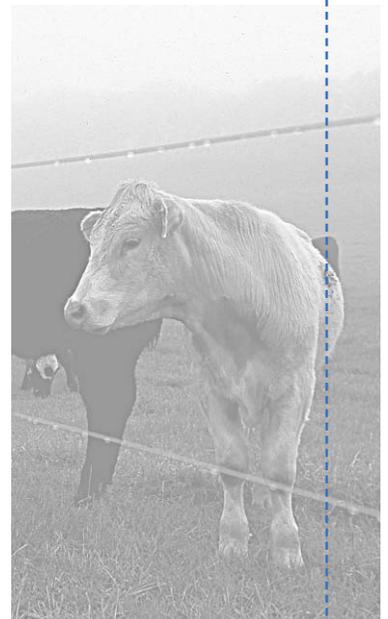
Four land trusts conserve land at the statewide level: the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, the 500-Year Forest Foundation, the Land Trust of Virginia and Virginia Outdoors Foundation. Virginia Outdoors Foundation (VOF) is unique because it is both a quasi-state agency and a public land trust.

Finally, seven national land trusts assist land conservation in Virginia. Most of these organizations are headquartered outside of the Commonwealth, but one, The Nature Conservancy, has a statewide chapter specifically serving Virginia.

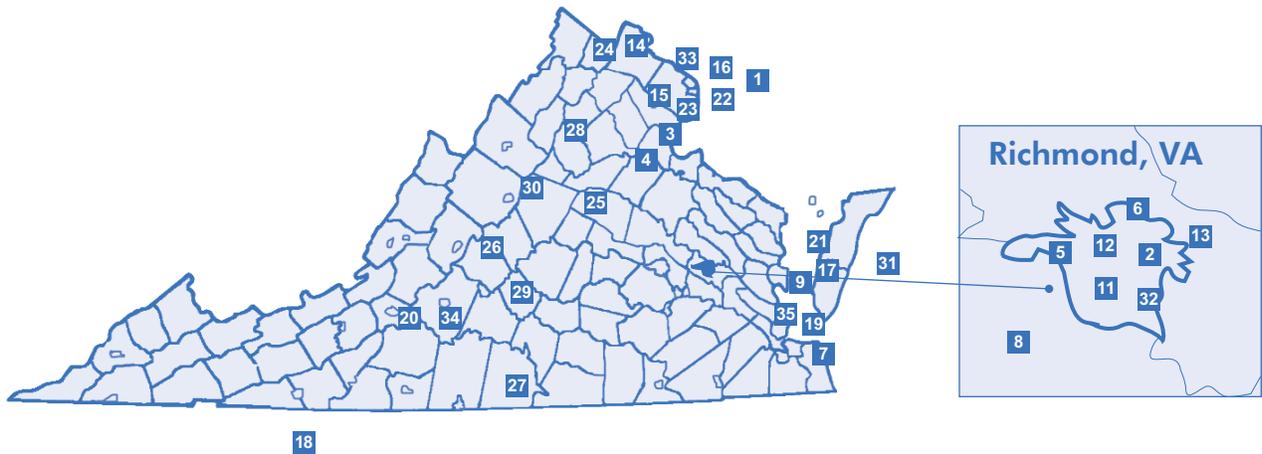
Although conservation easements are the most common conservation tool used by land trusts, a land trust should not be defined merely by the number of easements that it holds. Some land trusts prefer to help convey easements then transfer the easements to a larger land trust. Others prefer to purchase land. Also, it is important to note that under current laws, land trusts may not hold conservation easements until they have existed for at least five years.

The profiles that follow were completed by the land trusts themselves. Each is accompanied by a graphic denoting the region in which the trust works: Tidewater, Piedmont, Mountains or statewide. Additional icons denote a special emphasis: trails, rivers, nature preserves, battlefields, historic sites, and farms and open space.

Each profile has 17 fields, including contact information. In most instances, the fields are self-explanatory, but some fields are not applicable to every land trust. The stewardship field denotes resources dedicated to protected lands, such as the frequency with which a trust monitors easements and the portion of its budget spent on stewardship. Numbers in the budget field represent either an average over time or the most recent fiscal year (2005).



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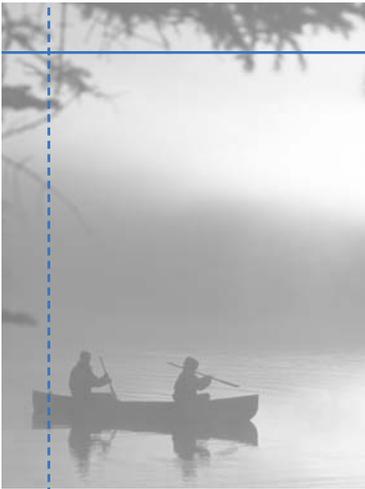


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## Local and Regional Land Trusts by City and County

City or County	Active Trusts	City or County	Active Trusts	City or County	Active Trusts
Accomack Co.	6 31	Franklin Co.	34	Nottoway Co.	6, 13
Albemarle Co.	6 13 23 25	Frederick Co.	6 14 24 28 30	Orange Co.	6 10 23
Alexandria City	6 22 24	Fredricksburg City	6 10	Page Co.	6 24 28 30
Allegheny Co.	13 30	Galax City	18 20	Patrick Co.	18 20 34
Amelia Co.	6 13	Giles Co.	18 20	Petersburg City	6 13
Amherst Co.	6 13	Gloucester Co.	6 9 17	Pittsylvania Co.	*
Appomattox Co.	6 13	Goochland Co.	5 6 13	Poquoson City	6 11
Arlington Co.	6 16 22 24	Grayson Co.	18 20	Portsmouth City	6 7
Augusta Co.	6 13 24 28 30	Greene Co.	4 6 10 23	Powhatan Co.	5 6 13
Bath Co.	13 30	Greensville Co.	*	Prince Edward Co.	6 13
Bedford Co.	34	Halifax Co.	27	Prince George Co.	6 13
Bedford City	*	Hampton City	6 11	Prince William Co.	6 22 24
Bland Co.	18 20	Hanover Co.	5 6 12 13	Pulaski Co.	18 20
Botetourt Co.	13 30 34	Harrisonburg City	6 24 28	Radford City	18 20
Bristol City	*	Henrico Co.	5 6 13	Rappahannock Co.	6 10 23
Brunswick Co.	27	Henry Co.	34	Richmond Co.	6 21
Buchanan Co.	*	Highland Co.	6 13 28 30	Richmond City	5 6 13
Buckingham Co.	6 13	Hopewell City	6 13	Roanoke Co.	34
Buena Vista City	13	Isle of Wight Co.	6	Roanoke City	34
Campbell Co.	6 13	James City Co.	6 35	Rockbridge Co.	6 13 26 30
Caroline Co.	6	King and Queen Co.	6 9 17	Rockingham Co.	6 24 28 30
Carroll Co.	18 20 34	King George Co.	6 21 24	Russell Co.	*
Charles City Co.	5 6	King William Co.	6 17	Salem City	*
Charlotte Co.	27	Lancaster Co.	6 21	Scott Co.	*
Charlottesville City	6 13	Lee Co.	*	Shenandoah Co.	6 24, 28 30
Chesapeake City	6 7	Lexington City	6 13	Smyth Co.	*
Chesterfield Co.	5 6 8 13	Loudoun Co.	6 22 23 24 33	Southampton Co.	*
Clark Co.	6 24 28	Louisa Co.	6 13	Spotsylvania Co.	6
Clifton Forge City	13	Lunenburg Co.	*	Stafford Co.	6 10 22 24
Colonial Heights City	6 13	Lynchburg City	6 13	Staunton City	6 24 28
Covington City	6 23 13	Madison Co.	4 6 10 23	Suffolk City	6
Craig Co.	6 13 34	Manassas Park City	6 22 24	Surry Co.	6
Culpeper Co.	6 10 23	Manassas City	6 22 24	Sussex Co.	*
Cumberland Co.	6 13	Martinsville City	*	Tazewell Co.	18 20
Danville City	*	Mathews Co.	6 17	Virginia Beach City	7
Dickenson Co.	*	Mecklenburg Co.	27	Warren Co.	6 24 28 30
Dinwiddie Co.	13	Middlesex Co.	6 9 17	Washington Co.	*
Emporia City	*	Montgomery Co.	18 20 34	Waynesboro City	6 24 28
Essex Co.	6 9 17	Nelson Co.	6 13	Westmoreland Co.	6 21 24
Fairfax Co.	1 6 16 22 24	New Kent Co.	5 6 35	Williamsburg City	6 35
Fairfax City	6 22 24	Newport News City	6 11 19	Winchester City	6 14 24 28
Falls Church City	6 16 22 24	Norfolk City	6 7	Wise Co.	*
Fauquier Co.	6 10 23 24	Northampton Co.	6 31	Wythe Co.	18 20
Floyd Co.	18 20 34	Northumberland Co.	6 21	York Co.	6 11 35
Fluvanna Co.	6 13 25	Norton City	*		

\* Statewide land trusts (2, 15, 29, 32) serve all Virginia localities



The following icons indicate a land trust focused on a particular resource. Not all trusts are specialized; some protect a variety of open spaces.



*trails*



*rivers/watersheds*



*battlefields*



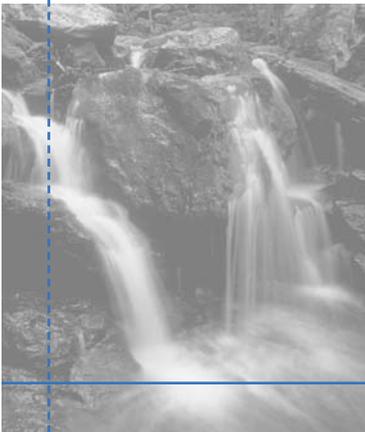
*historic sites*



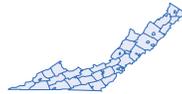
*farms/rural land*



*natural areas*



The following pictures reflect the geographic area in which a land trust works or is willing to work.



*mountain*



*Piedmont*



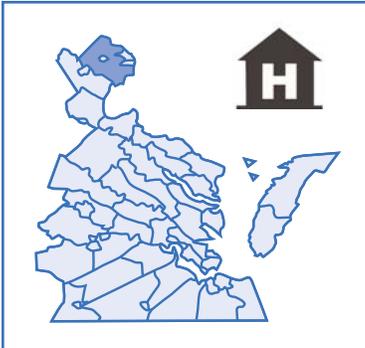
*Tidewater*



*statewide*



*National*



## Accokeek Foundation

**Mission:** "... to preserve land directly across the Potomac River from George Washington's Mount Vernon ... Our programs blend history, ecology and economics, educating people of all ages about responsible land management—past, present, and future."

**Address:** 3400 Bryan Point Road  
Accokeek, MD 20607  
**Contact:** Annmarie Buckley  
education@accokeek.org  
**Phone:** 301-283-2113  
**Fax:** 301-283-2049  
**Website:** www.accokeek.org

**Founded:** 1957  
**Staff:** 16  
**Board members:** 21  
**Geographic area served:** Viewshed from Mount Vernon in Fairfax County (also parts of Maryland, West Virginia and Washington, D.C.)  
**Stewardship:** Manage 200 acres of Piscataway Park in Accokeek, Md., to host educational programs and conservation projects; support upgrades and interpretive work at National Colonial Farm and Robert Ware Straus Ecosystem Farm  
**Easements/acres:** 0  
**Location of easements:** N/A  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 0  
**Annual budget:** Not provided



## APVA Preservation Virginia

**Mission:** "Established in 1889, the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities is the nation's first statewide preservation organization. Its mission is to preserve and promote the state's irreplaceable historic structures, landscapes, collections, communities and archaeological sites.

By our mission, we ensure the vitality of Virginia's distinctive heritage, resulting in cultural, economic and educational benefits for the public. We achieve our mission by providing leadership, expertise, influence, policy, and programs and services to the public and special audiences."

**Address:** 204 West Franklin Street  
Richmond, VA 23220

**Contact:** Elizabeth Kostelny, Executive Director  
ekostelny@apva.org  
Louis Malon, Director of Preservation Services  
lmalon@apva.org

**Phone:** 804-648-1889

**Fax:** N/A

**Website:** www.apva.org

**Founded:** 1889

**Staff:** 36

**Board members:** 24

**Geographic area served:** Virginia

**Stewardship:** Owns and maintains 31 historic properties across Virginia

**Easements/acres:** 12 easements on historic structures totaling approximately 25 acres

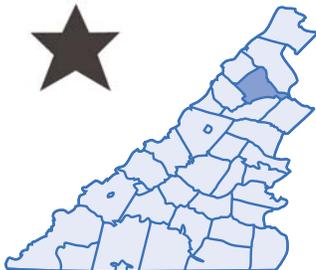
**Location of easements:** Cities of Richmond (6), Petersburg and Virginia Beach; Charles City, Gloucester and Mecklenburg (2) counties

**Fee simple acquisitions:** Approximately 500 acres

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** Less than 100 acres

**Annual budget:** \$4.2 million (2004)



## Brandy Station Foundation

**Mission:** "The Brandy Station Foundation is a nonprofit, community-based membership group dedicated to 1) preserving the natural and historic resources of the Brandy Station area of Culpeper County; 2) protecting the Brandy Station Battlefields and related sites of historical significance for the appreciation and education of future generations; 3) recognizing the courage and dedication of soldiers who fought and served here; and 4) advancing knowledge and understanding of the history of the battle, the region and its environment."

**Address:** P.O. Box 165  
Brandy Station, VA 22714

**Contact:** Robert Luddy, President  
director@brandystationfoundation.com

**Phone:** 540-727-7718

**Fax:** N/A

**Website:** www.brandystationfoundation.com

**Founded:** 1989

**Staff:** All volunteer

**Board members:** 13

**Geographic area served:** Brandy Station Battlefields (Culpeper County)

**Stewardship:** 100 percent of money collected is spent to protect Brandy Station Battlefields

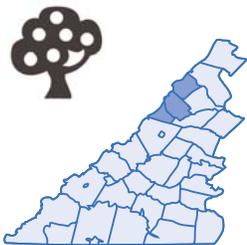
**Easements/acres:** 0

**Location of easements:** N/A

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 16

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** The Civil War Preservation Trust holds a 944-acre easement on Brandy Station Battlefield. The foundation acts as the unofficial custodian of this land (plus its own 16 acres) and operates a battlefield information center, the Graffiti House, for the battlefield



## Blue Ridge Foothills Conservancy

**Mission:** "...to conserve, through voluntary land protection, the agricultural, scenic, natural, historic and recreational resources that define the rural character of our communities."

**Address:** P.O. Box 1582  
Madison, VA 22727-1582

**Contact:** Carl Schmitt, President  
chschnitt@nexet.net  
Susan Cable,  
Executive Director  
blueridgeconserve@nexet.net

**Phone:** 540-923-9980 (Madison)  
434-985-9815 (Greene)

**Fax:** 540-923-4841

**Website:** www.cnpr.org/BRFC/index2.htm

**Founded:** 1998

**Staff:** All volunteer

**Board members:** 10

**Geographic area served:** Madison and Greene counties

**Stewardship:** Promote easements held by VOF and others

**Easements/acres:** 0

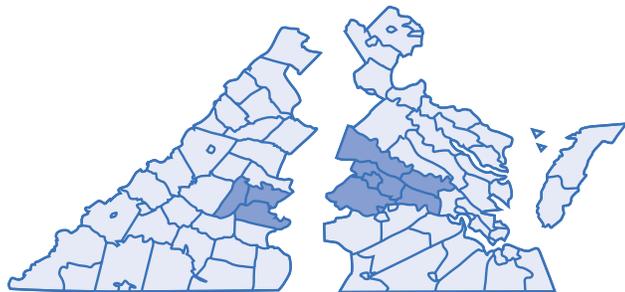
**Location of easements:** N/A

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** 2,306 acres now in easements

**Annual budget:** \$12,000



## Capital Region Land Conservancy

**Mission:** "Our mission is to promote the conservation of the capital region's historically significant land, scenic natural areas and ecologically sensitive land, water and wildlife resources."

**Address:** P.O. Box 17306  
Richmond, VA 23226

**Contact:** Bill Greenleaf  
bill@capitalregionland.org

**Phone:** 804-262-0276

**Fax:** N/A

**Website:** www.capitalregionland.org

**Founded:** 2005

**Staff:** All volunteer

**Board members:** 9

**Geographic area served:** Richmond City and Chesterfield, Henrico, Hanover, Goochland, Powhatan, New Kent and Charles City counties

**Stewardship:** N/A

**Easements/acres:** 0

**Location of easements:** N/A

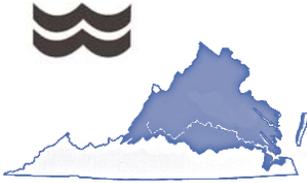
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** 0

**Annual budget:** \$10,000

## Chesapeake Bay Foundation



**Mission:** "To restore and sustain the Bay's ecosystem by substantially improving the water quality and productivity of the watershed, with respect to water clarity, resilience of the system, and diversity and abundance of living resources, and to maintain a high quality of life for the people of the Chesapeake Bay region."

**Address:** 1108 East Main Street, Suite 1600  
Richmond, VA 23219

**Contact:** Joe Lerch, Virginia Land Planner,  
AICP

[jlerch@savethebay.cbf.org](mailto:jlerch@savethebay.cbf.org)

**Phone:** 804-780-1392

**Fax:** 804-648-4011

**Website:** [www.cbf.org](http://www.cbf.org)

**Founded:** 1967

**Staff:** 160 (full-time)

**Board members:** 29

**Geographic area served:** Chesapeake Bay Watershed

**Stewardship:** Annual inspections

**Easements/acres:** 6 easements totaling 459 acres

**Location of easements:** Accomack, Augusta, Frederick, King George, King William, Mathews, Middlesex, Northampton, Orange, Rappahannock, Richmond, Stafford and Westmoreland counties

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** 17 co-held easements totaling 3,265 acres; 95 acres in CREP easement through DCR

**Annual budget:** Not provided

## The Elizabeth River Project



**Mission:** "To restore the Elizabeth River to the highest practical level of environmental quality through government, business and community partnerships."

**Address:** Admiral's Landing  
475 Water Street, Suite 103A  
Portsmouth, VA 23704

**Contact:** Marjorie Mayfield Jackson,  
Executive Director

[mmayfield@elizabethriver.org](mailto:mmayfield@elizabethriver.org)

Lyle Jackson, Paradise Creek  
Project Manager

[ljackson@elizabethriver.org](mailto:ljackson@elizabethriver.org)

**Phone:** 757-399-7487

**Fax:** 757-397-8377

**Website:** [www.elizabethriver.org](http://www.elizabethriver.org)

**Founded:** 1993

**Staff:** 7

**Board members:** 18

**Geographic area served:** Elizabeth River watershed in the cities of Portsmouth, Chesapeake, Norfolk and Virginia Beach

**Stewardship:** Staff members visit sites at least once a year to inspect conditions and plan volunteer stewardship actions if needed; 92 percent of the budget is dedicated to restoration, stewardship and conservation

**Easements/acres:** Presently hold 5 conservation easements totaling 23 acres and 6 land conservation understandings (signed gentlemen's agreements) protecting 167 acres

**Location of easements:** Chesapeake, Portsmouth and Norfolk

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** 0

**Annual budget:** \$600,000



## Friends of Chesterfield's Riverfront

**Mission:** "...to lead, partner and unify the community for the Appomattox and James Rivers."

**Address:** P.O. Box 2158  
Chesterfield, VA 23832  
**Contact:** Executive Director  
riverfronts@earthlink.net  
**Phone:** 804-796-1703  
**Fax:** 804-796-1711  
**Website:** www.chesterfieldriverfront.org

**Founded:** 1997  
**Staff:** 1  
**Board members:** 9–15  
**Geographic area served:** James and Appomattox riverfronts in Chesterfield County  
**Stewardship:** Annual monitoring in partnership with co-holding organizations  
**Easements/acres:** 2 easements totaling 287 acres.  
**Location of easements:** Bermuda district of Chesterfield County  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 287 acres in easement are co-held  
**Annual budget:** \$91,000



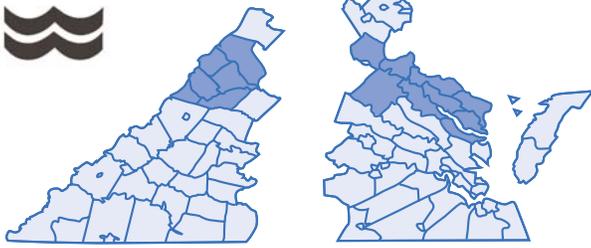
## Friends of Dragon Run

**Mission:** "Friends of Dragon Run is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to the preservation, protection and encouragement of wise use of Dragon Run and its watershed."

**Address:** P.O. Box 882  
Gloucester, VA 23061  
**Contact:** Thomas W. Gregory, President  
treehugs2@wmconnect.com  
**Phone:** 804-462-5608  
**Fax:** N/A  
**Website:** www.dragonrun.org

**Founded:** 1985  
**Staff:** All volunteer  
**Board members:** 18  
**Geographic area served:** Dragon Run watershed in King and Queen, Gloucester, Middlesex and Essex counties  
**Stewardship:** Monitor easements and fee simple properties quarterly  
**Easements/acres:** 1 easement totaling 54 acres  
**Location of easements:** King and Queen County  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 301  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 0  
**Annual budget:** Not provided

## Friends of the Rappahannock



**Mission:** "To promote the conservation, protection and enjoyment of the natural, cultural, recreational, scenic and historical values of the Rappahannock River and its tributaries."

**Address:** P.O. Box 7254  
Fredericksburg, VA 22404

**Contact:** John Tippet,  
Executive Director  
john\_tippet@riverfriends.org  
info@riverfriends.org

**Phone:** 540-373-3448

**Fax:** 540-373-8111

**Website:** www.riverfriends.org

**Founded:** 1985

**Staff:** 7

**Board members:** 14

**Geographic area served:** Rappahannock River watershed

**Stewardship:** Do not currently hold easements; often broker easements by engaging a landowner and negotiating terms with an easement holder

**Easements/acres:** 0

**Location of easements:** N/A

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** 118-acre Linden Farm easement recorded with Chesapeake Bay Foundation, 123-acre Celebrate Virginia easement recorded with VOF

**Annual budget:** \$300,000

## Hampton Land Conservancy



**Mission:** "Our mission is the preservation, protection and enhancement of remaining natural areas in the City of Hampton and neighboring jurisdictions. We encourage uses of those areas consistent with the maintenance of native ecological communities. We plan to provide long-term protection of natural areas through the receipt of donated properties, the holding of conservation easements on parcels, and the judicious purchase of selected parcels."

**Address:** 4896 Burnham Road  
Richmond, VA 23234

**Contact:** Tyla Matteson, President  
tmatteson1@mindspring.com

**Phone:** 804-275-6476

**Fax:** 804-275-6476

**Website:** N/A

**Founded:** January 2002

**Staff:** All volunteer

**Board members:** 12

**Geographic area served:** Hampton and adjoining localities (York County, Poquoson and Newport News)

**Stewardship:** N/A

**Easements/acres:** 0

**Location of easements:** N/A

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** 0

**Annual budget:** \$500

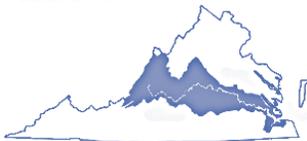


## Historic Polegreen Church Foundation

**Mission:** "To preserve and interpret the Historic Polegreen Church site where Samuel Davies and the Hanover Dissenters engaged in the successful struggle for religious and civil liberty in Colonial America."

**Address:** 2605 Dumbarton Road  
Richmond, VA 23228  
**Contact:** jebluford@aol.com  
**Phone:** 804-266-6186  
**Fax:** N/A  
**Website:** www.historicpolegreen.org

**Founded:** 1990  
**Staff:** All volunteer  
**Board members:** 8  
**Geographic area served:** Hanover County  
**Stewardship:** Frequent events on site allow for continual monitoring  
**Easements/acres:** 1 easement totaling 36 acres  
**Location of easements:** Hanover County  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 40  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 0  
**Annual budget:** \$50,000 or more in contributions

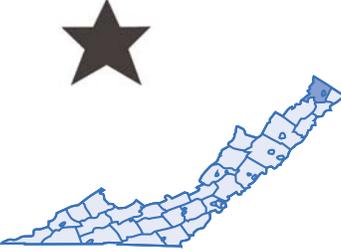


## James River Association

**Mission:** "... to be guardian of the James River. We provide a voice for the river and take action to promote conservation and responsible stewardship of its natural resources."

**Address:** P.O. Box 909  
Mechanicsville, VA 23111  
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bstreet@jamesriverassociation.org  
Kimberly Hodge,  
Education and Outreach Coordinator  
khodge@jamesriverassociation.org  
Chuck Frederickson,  
James Riverkeeper  
keeper@jamesriverassociation.org  
**Phone:** 804-730-2898  
**Fax:** 804-730-8297  
**Website:** www.jamesriverassociation.org

**Founded:** 1976  
**Staff:** 6  
**Board members:** 25  
**Geographic area served:** James River and its watershed  
**Stewardship:** Once a year site inspections  
**Easements/acres:** 6 easements totaling 743 acres  
**Location of easements:** Charles City, Goochland and Powhatan counties  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 405 acres co-held with VOF, 279 co-held with the Goochland Land Alliance  
**Annual budget:** \$630,000

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Kernstown Battlefield Association, Inc.</h2>
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "...dedicated to the preservation of the Pritchard-Grim farm in Winchester and Frederick County. This important historic site contains the core areas of the First and Second Battles of Kernstown."</p>
<p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 1327 Winchester, VA 22604</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Larry Duncan, President kba@kernstownbattle.org</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 540-662-1824</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 540-662-1632</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.kernstownbattle.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 1996</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> All volunteer (400 members)</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 15</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> Kernstown Battlefield (City of Winchester and Frederick County)</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 315</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> Not provided</p>

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Land Trust of Virginia</h2>
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "To work with citizens throughout Virginia to protect their communities' open space land and unique natural and historic resources."</p>
<p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 14 Middleburg, VA 20118</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Robin Short, Office Manager emailandtrustva@earthlink.net</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 540-687-8441</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 703-783-0256</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.landtrustva.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 1992</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 17</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> All of Virginia, with a focus on Fauquier, Loudoun, Clarke and Madison counties</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> The trust has regular contact with the owners of properties under its easements through a quarterly newsletter and bi-annual visits</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> 53 easements totaling 3,100 acres; additional 15 easements totaling 1,200 acres pending at close of 2005</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> Fauquier, Loudoun, Clarke and Madison counties</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> Not tracked</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> \$120,000</p>



## McLean Land Conservancy

**Mission:** "The McLean Land Conservancy was formed to promote and foster the preservation, protection, conservation and balanced use of our community's unique natural, cultural, recreational and historic resources. Our main objective is to preserve open green space in the McLean area."

**Address:** P.O. Box 224  
McLean, VA 22101  
**Contact:** Adrienne Whyte,  
President  
awhyte@bellatlantic.net  
**Phone:** 703-241-1095  
**Fax:** 703-241-1560  
**Website:** N/A

**Founded:** 2000  
**Staff:** All volunteer  
**Board members:** 9  
**Geographic area served:** McLean area, including parts of Great Falls and Falls Church  
**Stewardship:** Monitor conservation easements at least twice per year; all professional services for site monitoring are provided pro bono  
**Easements/acres:** 2 easements totaling 6 acres; both properties are riparian buffers on major streams  
**Location of easements:** Fairfax County  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 6 acres in easement were deeded to Fairfax County before the trust became eligible to hold easements  
**Annual budget:** \$250 administrative budget; board members donate administrative expenses

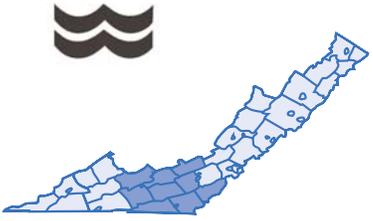


## Middle Peninsula Land Trust

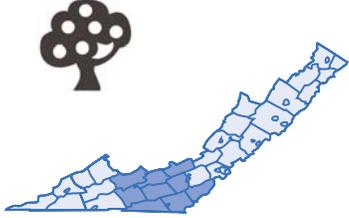
**Mission:** "The Middle Peninsula Land Trust seeks to protect and preserve for the benefit of the public the natural, scenic and historic resources of the Middle Peninsula."

**Address:** P.O. Box 585  
Mathews, VA 23109  
**Contact:** Mary Helen Morgan, President  
Mh2morgan@inna.net  
**Phone:** 804-758-2264  
**Fax:** 804-758-1139  
**Website:** www.vwebstudios.com/mplt/

**Founded:** 1997  
**Staff:** All volunteer  
**Board members:** 14  
**Geographic area served:** Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, King William, Mathews and Middlesex counties  
**Stewardship:** Monitor approximately once every two years by volunteer staff  
**Easements/acres:** 15 easements totaling 966 acres  
**Location of easements:** Gloucester (3 easements totaling 161 acres); King and Queen (2 easements totaling 72 acres); King William (1 easement of 1.6 acres); Mathews (7 easements 258 acres); Middlesex (2 easements totaling 472 acres)  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 37  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** Co-hold 213 acres with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and 38 acres with The Nature Conservancy  
**Annual budget:** Approximately \$12,000 including grants

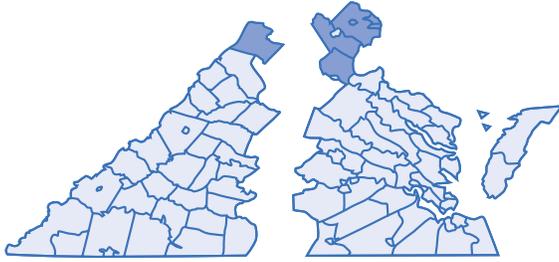
<p><b>Address:</b> 4 N. Jefferson Ave. P.O. Box 1480 West Jefferson NC 28694</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Jeffrey Scott, Executive Director jeffrey@ncnr.org Eric Hiegl, Land Protection Director eric@ncnr.org Debra Younts, Outreach Director debra@ncnr.org Christina Day, Administrative Assistant christina@ncnr.org</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 336-246-4871 <b>Fax:</b> 336-246-6433 <b>Website:</b> www.ncnr.org</p>	<h2 style="color: #4F81BD;">National Committee for the New River</h2>	
		<p><b>Mission:</b> "The National Committee for the New River is dedicated to preserving and enhancing the natural and cultural resources of the New River and its watershed."</p>
<p><b>Founded:</b> 1976  <b>Staff:</b> 4  <b>Board members:</b> 15  <b>Geographic area served:</b> New River watershed (see page ????)  <b>Stewardship:</b> Monitor all conservation easements annually  <b>Easements/acres:</b> 14 easements totaling 1,875 acres  <b>Location of easements:</b> Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga counties in North Carolina; Galax, Grayson County and Giles County in Virginia  <b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 47 acres  <b>Transferred to government:</b> 1,025 acres  <b>Assisted land protection:</b> 1,178 acres  <b>Annual budget:</b> Not provided</p>		

	<h2 style="color: #4F81BD;">Newport News Green Foundation, Inc.</h2>	
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "...to promote the creation and preservation of green space in the City of Newport News through advocacy, acquisition and assistance to others, in order to make Newport News a more visually attractive place to live, work and play."</p>	
<p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 323 Newport News, VA 23607</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Clark Baldwin, President</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 757-926-8428 <b>Fax:</b> 757-926-3504 <b>Website:</b> N/A</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 1998  <b>Staff:</b> Full-time executive director (new position for 2006)  <b>Board members:</b> 15  <b>Geographic area served:</b> Newport News  <b>Stewardship:</b> Ongoing projects  <b>Easements/acres:</b> 0  <b>Location of easements:</b> N/A  <b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 20  <b>Transferred to government:</b> 0  <b>Assisted land protection:</b> 0  <b>Annual budget:</b> \$225,730</p>	

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">New River Land Trust</h2>	
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "Conserving farmland, forests, open spaces and historic places in Virginia's New River region."</p>	
<p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 11057 Blacksburg, VA 24062-1057</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Elizabeth "Beth" Obenshain, Executive Director nrlt@newriver</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 540-951-1704</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 540-951-0223</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.newriverlandtrust.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 2001</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> 1.5</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 18</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, Bland, Smyth, Wythe, Floyd, Carroll and Grayson counties plus Galax and Bedford</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> Monitor annually</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> Co-hold one 90-acre easement; facilitated additional easements held by VOF</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, Floyd, Wythe, Carroll and Grayson counties</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> Easements totaling 7,500 acres in cooperation with VOF</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> \$92,000</p>	

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Northern Neck Land Conservancy</h2>	
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "...to preserve the rural heritage of the Northern Neck by conserving its lands, waters, economies and culture for future generations."</p>	
<p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 3 Kilmarnock, VA 22482</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Mary Louisa Pollard nnlc@kaballero.com</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 804-435-2814</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 804-435-2334</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.nnconserve.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 2004</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> All volunteer</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 11</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> King George, Westmoreland, Richmond, Northumberland and Lancaster counties</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> Co-hold easements with VOF</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> \$40,000</p>	

## Northern Virginia Conservation Trust



**Mission:** "To preserve and enhance the natural and historic resources of Northern Virginia."

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Annandale,  
VA 22003-2403

**Contact:** Michael Nardolilli,  
President  
mnardolilli@nvct.org  
Whit Field,  
Vice President and General Counsel  
wfield@nvct.org

**Phone:** 703-354-5093

**Fax:** 703-354-5169

**Website:** www.nvct.org

**Founded:** 1994

**Staff:** 5

**Board members:** 13

**Geographic area served:** Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William and Stafford counties and the cities of Alexandria and Fairfax

**Stewardship:** Annually monitoring of all easements; the trust has a dedicated stewardship fund of \$240,000, and approximately 8 percent of the annual budget is devoted to monitoring

**Easements/acres:** 55 easements totaling 1,022

**Location of easements:** Arlington (21), Fairfax (23), Loudoun (5), Prince William (1), and Stafford (2) counties; cities of Alexandria (2) and Fairfax (1)

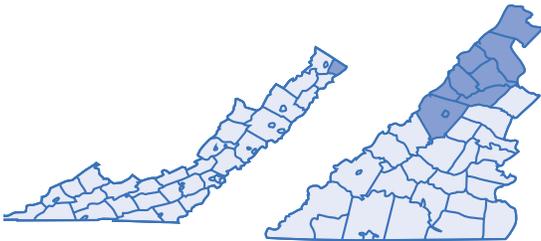
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 145 acres

**Transferred to government:** 0.6-acre easement transferred to VOF; sold interest in a 9-acre parcel to the Town of Clifton for use as a public park

**Assisted land protection:** 1,341 acres

**Annual budget:** \$471,719 (2006)

## Piedmont Environmental Council



**Mission:** "...dedicated to promoting and protecting the Piedmont's rural economy, natural resources, history and beauty."

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Warrenton,  
VA 20188-0460

**Contact:** Erika Richardson,  
Land Conservation Coordinator  
erichardson@pecva.org  
Catherine Scott,  
Director of Land Conservation  
cscott@pecva.org

**Phone:** 540-347-2334

**Fax:** 540-349-9003

**Website:** www.pecva.org

**Founded:** 1972

**Staff:** 35

**Board members:** 49

**Geographic area served:** Albemarle, Clarke, Culpeper, Fauquier, Greene, Loudoun, Madison, Orange and Rappahannock counties

**Stewardship:** The council's land conservation policies, adopted in 2003, require annual monitoring of easements; a separate stewardship fund covers yearly monitoring as well as the legal defense of easements

**Easements/acres:** 18 easements totaling 2,400 acres

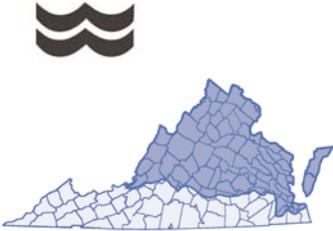
**Location of easements:** Albemarle, Clarke, Fauquier, Prince William and Orange counties

**Fee simple acquisitions:** More than 1,000 acres

**Transferred to government:** Almost 500 acres transferred to state and federal agencies

**Assisted land protection:** Working with the VOF and others, the council has helped facilitate the protection of over 215,000 acres

**Annual budget:** Approximately \$3 million

	<b>Potomac Conservancy</b>	
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "Potomac Conservancy protects the health, beauty and enjoyment of the Potomac River and its tributaries."</p>	
<p><b>Address:</b> 10 South Loudoun Street Winchester, VA 22601</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Heather Richards, Director of Headwaters Conservation richards@potomac.org</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 540-667-3606</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 540-667-7748</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.potomac.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 1993</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> 11</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 18</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> Potomac watershed, including the Shenandoah</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> Annual monitoring</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> 38 easements totaling 7,580 acres watershed-wide; 12 easements totaling 923 acres in Virginia easements</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> Arlington, Fairfax, Frederick, Loudoun and Shenandoah counties in Virginia</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 29.10 acres (Maryland)</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 21 acres (5 in Virginia, 16 in Maryland)</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> \$1.12 million (2004)</p>	

	<b>Rivanna Conservation Society</b>	
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "Our mission is to safeguard the health, scenic beauty and cultural heritage of the Rivanna River and its watershed here in the center of Virginia."</p>	
<p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 1501 Charlottesville, VA 22902-1501</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Matthew Rosefsky, Executive Director exec@rivannariver.org Laurie A. Miller, Assistant to the Executive Director aed@rivannariver.org</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 434-589-7576</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 434-970-1806</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.rivannariver.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 1990</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 11</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> Rivanna River watershed (Fluvanna and Albemarle counties)</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> Caretaker on premises at Sheier Natural Area; \$1,000 annual maintenance budget</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> 100-acre easement at Sheier Natural Area held by VOF</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> Fluvanna County</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 105</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> Rather than holding easements itself, the society encourages landowners to sign riparian easements with Thomas Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District and easements with VOF</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> \$150,000</p>	

## Rockbridge Area Conservation Council



**Mission:** "Promote wise stewardship of natural and cultural resources through education, advocacy and action in order to protect and enhance the quality of life for present and future inhabitants of Rockbridge County."

**Founded:** 1975

**Address:** P.O. Box 564  
Lexington, VA 24450

**Contact:** Barbara Walsh,  
Executive Director  
racc@rockbridge.net  
blwalsh@rockbridge.net

**Phone:** 540-463-2330

**Fax:** 540-463-2610

**Website:** <http://organizations.rockbridge.net/racc/>

**Founded:** 1975

**Staff:** Paid, part-time executive director; 500 member households and businesses

**Board members:** 34

**Geographic area served:** Rockbridge County and immediate surrounding area

**Stewardship:** Quarterly management committee meetings, semiannual projects per year; 2005 stewardship expenditures of \$1,000 plus donated materials and labor valued at \$10,000

**Easements/acres:** 0

**Location of easements:** Rockbridge County

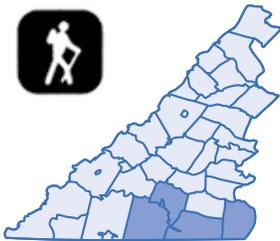
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 800 acres at House Mountain; title held by VOF, reverts to the council if VOF disbands

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** House Mountain management committee includes representatives from the council, VOF, Virginia Military Institute, and Washington and Lee University

**Annual budget:** \$12,000

## Roanoke River Rails to Trails, Inc.



**Mission:** "To enrich Southside Virginia's communities and countryside by creating a regional network of public trails from former rail lines and connecting corridors.

To develop plans for the establishment and development of recreation, transportation, historic preservation, economic revitalization, open-space conservation and wildlife preservation trails for the enjoyment and use of the general public."

**Address:** P.O. Box 150  
South Hill, VA 23970

**Contact:** Carol Corker  
cdc@spbc.state.va.us  
Sandra Tanner  
stanner@virginia.org

**Phone:** 434-447-7101 (Carol),  
434-757-7438 (Sandra)

**Fax:** N/A

**Website:** N/A

**Founded:** 2004

**Staff:** 0

**Board members:** 15

**Geographic area served:** Brunswick, Charlotte, Halifax and Mecklenburg counties

**Stewardship:** N/A

**Easements/acres:** 0

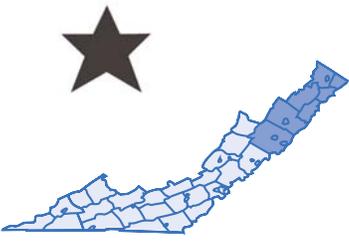
**Location of easements:** Mecklenburg

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** 1 co-held easement totaling 60 acres

**Annual budget:** \$12,000

	<h2 style="color: #0056b3;">Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation</h2>
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "The mission of the Battlefields Foundation is to work with public and private partners to protect, interpret and promote the Shenandoah Valley's Civil War battlefields and related historic sites."</p>

<p><b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 897 New Market, VA 22844</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Howard J. Kittell, Executive Director hkittell@svbf.net John Hutchinson, Resource Protection Program Manager jhutch@svbf.net</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 540-740-4545 888-689-4545</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 540-740-4509</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.shenandoahatwar.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 2000</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> 5</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 23</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> Augusta, Clarke, Frederick, Highland, Page, Rockingham, Shenandoah and Warren counties, and the cities of Harrisonburg, Staunton, Waynesboro and Winchester</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> Easements are monitored annually, other properties biannually</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> 1 easement totaling 60 acres</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> Frederick County</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 627 acres</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> 888</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> Land acquisition, \$1.5 million; management, \$500,000</p>
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	<h2 style="color: #0056b3;">The 500-Year Forest Foundation</h2>
	<p><b>Mission:</b> "The 500-Year Forest Foundation seeks to steward forests of varying types in varied settings where a reverence for all life is of paramount importance, where people develop new understandings and abiding interests in forests through their involvement with the forest, and where any guided impact on any forest is undertaken for the highest good of the forest."</p>

<p><b>Contact:</b> 1133 Old Abert Road Lynchburg, VA 24503-6455</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Ted Harris, President highview@lynchburg.net</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> 434-384-2324</p> <p><b>Fax:</b> 434-384-3268</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.500yearforestfdn.org</p>	<p><b>Founded:</b> 1997</p> <p><b>Staff:</b> 2</p> <p><b>Board members:</b> 5</p> <p><b>Geographic area served:</b> Virginia</p> <p><b>Stewardship:</b> Organization works with forest owners to implement forest management plans</p> <p><b>Easements/acres:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Location of easements:</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Fee simple acquisitions:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Transferred to government:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Assisted land protection:</b> 0</p> <p><b>Annual budget:</b> Income, \$23,301; assets, \$6,220</p>
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## Valley Conservation Council



**Mission:** "Valley Conservation Council promotes land use that sustains the farms, forests, open spaces and cultural heritage of the Valley of Virginia."

**Founded:** 1990

**Staff:** 2

**Board members:** 18

**Geographic area served:** Allegheny, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Frederick, Highland, Page, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Shenandoah and Warren counties

**Stewardship:** Annual monitoring of easements; approximately 2 percent of annual budget is spent on stewardship. Soil and water conservation districts and VOF also expend considerable resources on co-held easements.

**Easements/acres:** 26 easements totaling 647 acres co-held with soil and water conservation districts; 18 easements totaling 2,689 co-held with VOF

**Location of easements:** Augusta (15), Rockbridge (2), Shenandoah (8), Warren (1).

**Note:** does not include easements co-held with VOF

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** Approximately 35,000 acres in permanent easements and 47,000 acres in agricultural/forestral districts (voluntary 4- or 10-year open space commitments)

**Annual budget:** \$225,000

**Address:** 17 Barristers Row  
Staunton, VA 24401

**Contact:** Jackie Jamison,  
Conservation Officer  
jackie@valleyconservation.org

**Phone:** 540-886-3541

**Fax:** 540-886-1380

**Website:** www.valleyconservation.org

## Virginia Eastern Shore Land Trust



**Mission:** "The Virginia Eastern Shore Land Trust seeks to conserve the rural lands that will best preserve the farms, forests, fisheries and heritage of Virginia's Eastern Shore for the benefit of future generations."

**Address:** P.O. Box 1114  
Exmore, VA 23350-1114

**Contact:** Peter Henderson,  
Executive Director  
veslt@verizon.net

**Phone:** 757-442-5885

**Fax:** 757-442-5744

**Website:** In development

**Founded:** 2003

**Staff:** 1

**Board members:** 9

**Geographic area served:** Accomack and Northampton counties

**Stewardship:** Annual monitoring; approximately 20 percent of budget spent on stewardship

**Easements/acres:** 22 easements totaling 4,281 acres

**Location of easements:** Accomack (14) and Northampton (8) counties

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 0

**Transferred to government:** 0

**Assisted land protection:** All easements co-held with either The Nature Conservancy, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District, or Ducks Unlimited

**Annual budget:** \$115,000

## Virginia Outdoors Foundation

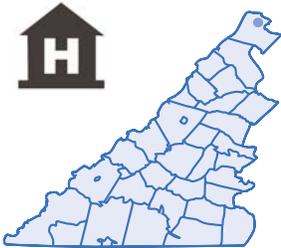


**Mission:** "... to promote the preservation of open space lands and to encourage private gifts of money, securities, land or other property to preserve the natural, scenic, historic, open-space and recreational areas of the Commonwealth."

**Address:** 101 North 14th Street, 17th Floor  
Richmond, VA 23219  
**Contact:** Bob Lee, Executive Director  
blee@vofonline.org  
**Phone:** 804-225-2147  
**Fax:** 804-371-4810  
**Website:** www.virginiaoutdoorsfoundation.org

**Founded:** 1966  
**Staff:** 24 full-time, 2 part-time  
**Board members:** 7  
**Geographic area served:** Virginia  
**Stewardship:** Sites monitored at least once every three years; \$27,000 annual stewardship budget  
**Easements/acres:** 1,890 easements totaling 330,000 acres  
**Location of easements:** Statewide—in more than 90 Virginia cities and counties  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 3,500 acres  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 21,513 acres in co-held easements; manages the Open-Space Lands Preservation Trust Fund  
**Annual budget:** \$2.3 million

## Waterford Foundation

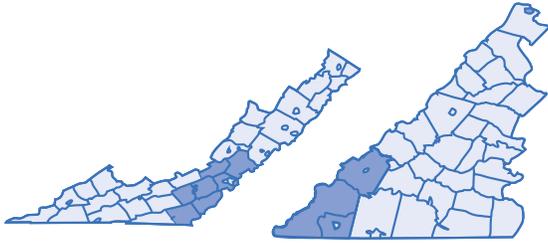


**Mission:** "The mission of The Waterford Foundation is to preserve the historic buildings and the open spaces of the National Historic Landmark District of Waterford; and through education, to increase the public's knowledge of life and work in an early American rural community."

**Address:** P.O. Box 142  
Waterford, VA 20197  
**Contact:** Margaret Good,  
Assistant Executive Director  
mgood@waterfordva.org  
**Phone:** 540-882-3018  
**Fax:** 540-882-3921  
**Website:** www.waterfordva.org

**Founded:** 1943  
**Staff:** 2 full-time, 2 part-time, 1 contract  
**Board members:** 17  
**Geographic area served:** Waterford district in Loudoun County  
**Stewardship:** N/A  
**Easements/acres:** 2 easements totaling 6 acres  
**Location of easements:** Loudoun County  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 193  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 275 acres  
**Annual budget:** \$300,000

## Western Virginia Land Trust



**Mission:** "...providing voluntary means to promote the preservation of western Virginia's natural and cultural heritage."

**Address:** 722 First Street, SW, Suite L  
Roanoke, VA 24016-4120

**Contact:** David Hurt,  
Project Manager  
dhurt@westernvirginialandtrust.org  
Roger Holnback, Executive Director  
rholnback@westernvirginialandtrust.org

**Phone:** 540-985-0000

**Fax:** 540-985-0000

**Website:** www.westernvirginialandtrust.org

**Founded:** 1996

**Staff:** 2

**Board members:** 27

**Geographic area served:** Bedford, Botetourt, Carroll, Craig, Floyd, Franklin, Henry, Montgomery, Patrick and Roanoke counties

**Stewardship:** Board of Trustees Stewardship Committee plans events with staff support

**Easements/acres:** 18 easements totaling 1,035 acres

**Location of easements:** Bedford (3), Botetourt (3), Floyd (3), Franklin (6), Montgomery (2), Roanoke (1) counties

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 58 acres

**Transferred to government:** Four properties totaling 8,588 acres

**Assisted land protection:** 5,473 acres

**Annual budget:** \$154,000

## Williamsburg Land Conservancy



**Mission:** "The Conservancy is dedicated to protecting and preserving significant natural, scenic, agricultural and historic land in the Historic Triangle."

**Address:** 5000 New Point Road, Suite 1202  
Williamsburg, VA 23188

**Contact:** Caren Schumacher,  
Executive Director  
carenschu@widomaker.com

**Phone:** 757-565-0343

**Fax:** 757-565-0049

**Website:** www.williamsburglandconservancy.org

**Founded:** In 1990 as the Historic Rivers Land Conservancy, name changed to Williamsburg Land Conservancy in 1996

**Staff:** one full-time; one part-time

**Board members:** 18

**Geographic area served:** City of Williamsburg and James City, New Kent and York counties

**Easements/acres:** 15 easements totaling 2,500 acres

**Location of easements:** James City, New Kent and York counties

**Stewardship:** Land Stewardship Committee visits property annually; \$2,100 annual maintenance budget

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 40 acres owned by deed of gift

**Transferred to government:** 42 acres along the Virginia Capital Trail route soon to be conveyed to the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

**Assisted land protection:** 202-acre easement along the James River co-held with James River Association (transaction took place before the conservancy was able to hold easements by itself)

**Annual budget:** \$170,000



## The Archaeological Conservancy

**Mission:** "The Archaeological Conservancy is the only private, national, nonprofit organization that acquires and permanently preserves important archaeological sites across the United States. In 25 years they have acquired some 300 archaeological sites in 39 states, including the Conover site located in Dinwiddie County."

**Address:** Eastern Regional Office  
8 East 2nd Street,  
Suite 200  
Frederick, MD 21701  
**Contact:** Andy Stout,  
Eastern Regional Director  
wac5pio@aol.com  
**Phone:** 301-682-6359  
**Fax:** N/A  
**Website:** www.americanarchaeology.org

**Founded:** 1980  
**Staff:** 2 in Eastern Regional Office  
**Board members:** 13  
**Geographic area served:** United States  
**Stewardship:** Once a site has been acquired, the conservancy stabilizes it and prepares a 100-year management plan that governs research. The conservancy mandates the practice of "conservation archaeology" and holds these important sites in perpetuity for the benefit of all citizens. Volunteers play a large role in routine site inspection, stabilization and preparation of the management plan.  
**Easements/acres:** 0  
**Location of easements:** N/A  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 34 acres in Virginia  
**Transferred to government:** 0  
**Assisted land protection:** 0  
**Annual budget:** Not available



## Civil War Preservation Trust

**Mission:** "The mission of the Civil War Preservation Trust is the preservation of America's significant Civil War battlefields by protecting the land and educating the public about the vital roles those battlefields played in directing the course of our nation's history."

**Address:** 1331 H Street Northwest, Suite 1001  
Washington, DC 20005  
**Contact:** Rick Shaffer,  
Real Estate Associate, ext. 218  
rshaffer@civilwar.org  
**Phone:** 202-367-1861  
**Fax:** 202-367-1865  
**Website:** www.civilwar.org

**Founded:** 1999  
**Staff:** 24  
**Board members:** 29  
**Geographic area served:** Civil War Battlefields nationwide  
**Stewardship:** Not provided  
**Easements/acres:** 6 easements totaling 390  
**Location of easements:** Virginia (4), North Carolina (1), West Virginia (1)  
**Fee simple acquisitions:** 5,000 acres  
**Transferred to government:** 2,766 acres  
**Assisted land protection:** 21,000 acres  
**Annual budget:** Not provided



## National Forestry Land Trust

**Mission:** "Urban Sprawl Stops Here." National Forestry is a tertiary trust that urges first trust go to a local organization and second trust go to a statewide group. If both should go out of existence, National Forestry is prepared to enforce the terms of the trust anywhere in the U.S.

**Address:** 374 Maple Avenue East, Suite 310  
Vienna, VA 22180-4718

**Contact:** Keith Argow, Director  
argow@nwoa.net

**Phone:** 703-255-2700

**Fax:** 703-281-9200

**Website:** www.nationalforestry.net

**Founded:** 1996

**Staff:** 2

**Board members:** 4

**Geographic area served:** United States

**Stewardship:** Sites monitored as needed, annually if necessary

**Easements/acres:** N/A.

**Location of easements:** N/A

**Fee simple acquisitions:** None

**Transferred to government:** More than 4,000 acres through American Resources Inc., Land Conservation Fund of America; most to U.S. Forest Service and National Park Service

**Assisted land protection:** American Resources holds conservation easements on 1,500 acres of working private woodlands that will probably be transferred to the trust for long-term administration

**Annual budget:** Not provided



## The Nature Conservancy of Virginia

**Mission:** "The mission of The Nature Conservancy is to preserve the plants, animals and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive."

**Address:** 490 Westfield Road  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

**Contact:** Louisa Gibson,  
lgibson@tnc.org

**Phone:** 434-951-0579

**Fax:** N/A

**Website:** www.nature.org

**Founded:** 1951

**Staff:** 61 Virginia staff

**Board members:** 25 Virginia board members

**Geographic area served:** Virginia office serves entire state; other offices worldwide

**Stewardship:** Conservation easements monitored annually; properties with deed restrictions are monitored every 2 years; preserves are monitored on a frequent but unscheduled basis

**Easements/acres:** 91 easements totaling 47,161 acres in Virginia

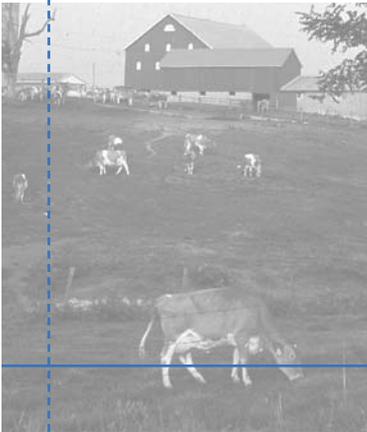
**Location of easements:** 29 Virginia cities and counties

**Fee simple acquisitions:** 63,952 acres in Virginia

**Transferred to government:** 94,077 acres in Virginia

**Assisted land protection:** 4,611 acres in Virginia

**Annual budget:** Not provided



## WHO ARE THE STATE AGENCIES?

Six state agencies serve land conservation in Virginia: the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), Virginia Outdoors Foundation (VOF), the Department of Forestry (DOF), the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS), the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF), and the Department of Historic Resources (DHR). Together, the state agencies offer a variety of funding sources, mapping and data resources, and technical assistance for land conservation.

### Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

**Mission:** "We promote the economic growth and development of Virginia agriculture, encourage environmental stewardship, and provide consumer protection."

**Land conservation grants/funding:** None

**Mapping/data resources:** Virginia agriculture facts and figures (online at [www.vdacs.virginia.gov/agfacts/index.html](http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/agfacts/index.html))

**Land conservation priorities:** Agricultural purchase-of-development-rights to preserve farmland

**Conservation programs:** Virginia Agricultural Vitality, Farmland Preservation, Virginia Farmlink; information at [www.savefarms.com](http://www.savefarms.com) (site co-sponsored by Virginia Farm Bureau)

**Address:** Oliver Hill Building, 102 Governor Street  
Richmond, VA 23219

**Contact:** Elaine Lidholm, Director of Communication and Promotion  
[elaine.lidholm@vdacs.virginia.gov](mailto:elaine.lidholm@vdacs.virginia.gov)

**Phone:** 804-786-2373

**Fax:** 804-371-7679

**Website:** [www.vdacs.virginia.gov](http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov)

## Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

**Mission:** "DCR works with Virginians to conserve, protect and enhance their lands; improve the quality of the Chesapeake Bay and our rivers and streams; promote the stewardship and enjoyment of natural, cultural and outdoor recreational resources; and insure the safety of Virginia's dams."

**Land conservation grants/funding:** Virginia Land Conservation Fund, Land and Water Conservation Fund, Virginia Recreational Trails Fund, Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program and Water Quality Improvement Fund (nonpoint source pollution)

**Mapping/data resources:** Conservation Lands Database ([www.dcr.virginia.gov/dnh/conslandindex.htm](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/dnh/conslandindex.htm))

**Land conservation priorities:** Natural, historic, scenic, recreational and cultural resources

**Conservation programs:** Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program pays farmers to maintain riparian buffers; Natural Area Preserve System includes both public and voluntarily registered private land; Virginia State Parks acquire and maintain natural landscapes and accept land donations

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Richmond, VA 23219-2094

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Land Conservation Coordinator  
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David Dowling  
Policy, Planning and Budget Director  
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Tom Smith  
Natural Heritage Program Director  
[tom.smith@dcr.virginia.gov](mailto:tom.smith@dcr.virginia.gov)

**Phone:** 804-225-2048

**Fax:** 804-786-6141

**Website:** [www.dcr.virginia.gov/olc](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/olc)

## Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries

**Mission:** "... to manage Virginia's wildlife and inland fish to maintain optimum populations of all species to serve the needs of the Commonwealth; to provide opportunity for all to enjoy wildlife, inland fish, boating and related outdoor recreation; to promote safety for persons and property in connection with boating, hunting and fishing."

**Land conservation grants/funding:** Wetland Conservation, Small Game and Quail Habitat Cost-Share, and Farm Habitat programs

**Mapping/data resources:** Data on hunting, fishing, boating, wildlife management areas, boat access facilities and lakes; Virginia Fish and Wildlife Information service (<http://vafwis.org/WIS/ASP/default.asp>) provides species information and maps habitat

**Land conservation priorities:** Farms, wetlands, game habitat, wildlife management areas and community lakes

**Conservation programs:** Habitat Partners (for farmers), Forest Stewardship, Wetlands Restoration and Preservation, Habitat at Home, Wildlife Habitat Technical Assistance, Virginia WILD Schools and Project WILD (K-12), Community Lake Improvement Project, fish passage and migratory fish programs, stream restorations, conservation easements, fish stocking and deer management

**Address:** 4010 West Broad Street  
Richmond, VA 23230

**Contact:** James Adams, Director of Capital Programs  
[james.adams@dgif.virginia.gov](mailto:james.adams@dgif.virginia.gov)

**Phone:** 804-367-1000

**Fax:** 804-367-2311

**Website:** [www.dgif.virginia.gov](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov)

## Virginia Department of Forestry

**Mission:** "The Virginia Department of Forestry is responsible for: protection of 15.8 million acres of forest land from fire, insects and disease; management of 16 State Forests and other state lands totaling more than 52,000 acres for timber, recreation, water, research, wildlife and biodiversity; assistance to non-industrial private forest landowners through professional forestry advice and technical management programs."

**Land conservation grants/funding:** Forest Legacy Program

**Mapping/data resources:** Virginia Forest Resource Information Mapper, Forest Resource Assessment, Forest Land Use Mapping; Forest Inventory and Analysis, Wildfire Risk Analysis (each available online at [www.dof.virginia.gov/gis/index.shtml](http://www.dof.virginia.gov/gis/index.shtml))

**Land conservation priorities:** Forest easements and acquisitions

**Conservation programs:** Forest Stewardship, Riparian Restoration, Urban and Community Forestry

**Address:** Fontaine Research Park  
900 Natural Resources Drive, Suite 800  
Charlottesville, VA 22903

**Contact:** Mike Foreman, Riparian Areas and  
Land Conservation Programs  
[michael.foreman@dof.virginia.gov](mailto:michael.foreman@dof.virginia.gov)  
Ron Jenkins, Forest Legacy Coordinator

[ron.jenkins@dof.virginia.gov](mailto:ron.jenkins@dof.virginia.gov)

**Phone:** 434-977-6555

**Fax:** 434-296-2369

**Website:** [www.dof.virginia.gov](http://www.dof.virginia.gov)

## Virginia Department of Historic Resources

**Mission:** "Manages state historic resources and implements the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as Virginia's State Historic Preservation Office. All historic resources protected through the agency's programs must be listed on the Virginia Registry of Historic Places and the National Registry of Historic Places either individually or as a contributing resource to a historic district."

**Land conservation grants/funding:** Historic Preservation Grants, State Rehabilitation Tax Credits, Threatened Sites, and Survey and Planning Cost-Share programs

**Mapping/data resources:** Virginia Historic Resources Survey Data, Virginia Landmarks Register, Atlas of Virginia Archeology ([www.dhr.virginia.gov/atlas/sitesmap.htm](http://www.dhr.virginia.gov/atlas/sitesmap.htm))

**Land conservation priorities:** Battlefields, historic landscapes, architectural sites, archeological sites and cultural resources

**Conservation programs:** National and state registers, Historic Resources Survey, Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credits, Virginia Historic Preservation Easement Program, Threatened Sites Program (funds preservation and archeology)

**Address:** 2801 Kensington Avenue, Richmond, VA 23221

**Contact:** Elizabeth Tune, Easement Coordinator  
[elizabeth.tune@dhr.virginia.gov](mailto:elizabeth.tune@dhr.virginia.gov)

**Phone:** 804-367-2323

**Fax:** 804-367-2391

**Website:** [www.dhr.virginia.gov](http://www.dhr.virginia.gov)

## Virginia Outdoors Foundation

**Mission:** "to promote the preservation of open space lands and to encourage private gifts of money, securities, land or other property to preserve the natural, scenic, historic, open-space and recreational areas of the Commonwealth."

**Land conservation grants/funding:** Open-Space Land Preservation Trust Fund

**Mapping/data resources:** None

**Land conservation priorities:** Open-space easements

**Conservation programs:** Open-space easement program

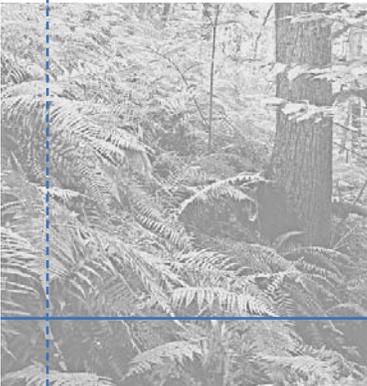
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Executive Director  
[blee@vofonline.org](mailto:blee@vofonline.org)

**Phone:** 804-367-1000

**Fax:** 804-367-2311

**Website:** [www.dgif.virginia.gov](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov)



# WHO ARE THE CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS?

Several conservation organizations serve the Commonwealth of Virginia through education and advocacy. While these organizations do not hold conservation easements or acquire open spaces, they raise awareness of land trusts and conservation easements through education programs and community workshops. They also lobby government for pro-conservation legislation and prepare environmental studies and reports. While some organizations serve the entire Commonwealth, others focus their efforts on specific localities.

**American Farmland Trust**

**Mission:** "We have three strategies for saving America's farmland:

- Protect the best land through publicly funded agricultural conservation easement programs;
- Plan for growth with agriculture in mind through effective community planning and growth management;
- Keep the land healthy for farmland through encouraging stewardship and conservations practices."

**Founded:** 1980  
**Staff:** 53 (full-time)  
**Board members:** 17  
**Geographic area served:** United States

**Address:** 1200 18th Street NW, Suite 800  
 Washington, DC 20036  
**Contact:** Kevin Schmidt, Mid-Atlantic Director  
 kschmidt@farmland.org  
**Phone:** 202-331-7300  
**Fax:** 202-659-8339  
**Website:** www.farmland.org

**The Conservation Fund**

**Mission:** "The Conservation Fund forges partnerships to protect America's legacy of land and water resources. Through land acquisition, sustainable programs and leadership training, the fund and its partners demonstrate effective conservation solutions emphasizing the integration of economic and environmental goals."

**Founded:** 1985  
**Staff:** N/A  
**Board members:** 18  
**Geographic area served:** United States

**Address:** 1800 North Kent Street, Suite 1120  
 Arlington, VA 22209-2156  
**Contact:** Nick Dilks, Vice President of Real Estate  
**Phone:** 703-525-6300  
**Fax:** 703-525-4610  
**Website:** www.conservationfund.org

## Prince William Conservation Alliance

**Mission:** "...committed to ensuring that Prince William's environment is protected for the good of all its citizens." The alliance is a nonprofit watershed organization serving Prince William and surrounding communities. PWCA provides community workshops, volunteer and citizen support programs focused on increasing conservation opportunities and cultivating broad local capacity to assume effective, sustainable stewardship of Prince William's valuable natural and cultural resources.

**Founded:** N/A

**Staff:** 2

**Board members:** 10

**Geographic area served:** Prince William

**Address:** P.O. Box 6351  
Woodbridge, VA 22195

**Contact:** Kim Hosen, Executive Director  
khosen@pwconserve.org

**Phone:** 703-499-4954; 703-367-0069

**Fax:** N/A

**Website:** www.pwconserve.org

## Scenic Virginia

**Mission:** "Scenic Virginia is dedicated to the preservation, protection and enhancement of Virginia's scenic beauty. We support public and private actions that strengthen the appearance of Virginia's landscapes and communities, especially along our highways and byways. We believe that scenic assets are essential to the cultural and economic health of our commonwealth."

**Founded:** 1998

**Staff:** 1 full-time; 10 volunteers

**Board members:** 15

**Geographic area served:** Virginia

**Address:** P.O. Box 17606  
Richmond, VA 23226  
1904 Byrd Avenue, Suite 108  
Richmond, Virginia 23230

**Contact:** Leighton Powell, Executive Director  
lpowell@scenicvirginia.org

**Phone:** 804-282-5522

**Fax:** 804-282-5506

**Website:** www.scenicvirginia.org

## Rural Nelson

**Mission:** "...to preserve and enhance the rural quality of life enjoyed by Nelson County residents by developing broad-based support for informed growth policies that:

- Support agricultural and forestal activities;
- Preserve our historic heritage and the integrity of our natural resource systems;
- Protect affordable housing opportunities for Nelson residents;
- Encourage commercial development and design appropriate to Nelson's rural character.

We believe that change in all these areas, while inevitable, can take place in a way consistent with the intrinsic value of Nelson's rural character."

**Founded:** 1999

**Staff:** 1

**Board members:** 10

**Geographic area served:** Nelson County

**Address:** P.O. Box 401, Lovingson, VA 22949

**Contact:** Conny Roussos, President  
connyroussos@ruralnelson.org  
Kim T. Cash, Field Officer  
kimcash@ruralnelson.org

**Phone:** 434-263-5000

**Fax:** N/A

**Website:** www.ruralnelson.org

## Virginia League of Conservation Voters

**Mission:** "To preserve and enhance the quality of life of all Virginians by making conservation a top priority with Virginia's elected officials, political candidates and voters."

**Founded:** 2000

**Staff:** 5

**Board members:** 18

**Geographic area served:** Virginia

**Address:** 530 E. Main Street, Suite 820  
Richmond, VA 23219

**Contact:** Lisa Guthrie, Executive Director  
VirLCV@aol.com

**Phone:** 804-225-1902

**Fax:** 804-225-1904

**Website:** www.valcv.org

## Virginia Conservation Network

**Mission:** "... to protect the Commonwealth's air, land, and waters for the benefit of the people, as guaranteed by the Virginia Constitution." VCN is Virginia's only statewide network of environmental and conservation organizations. With over 100 members groups representing every region of the state, our network reaches over 200,000 citizens and includes at least 12 land trusts that promote and hold conservation easements.

With the efforts of member organizations in mind, VCN works to:

- Advance a common environmentally sound vision for Virginia.
- Coordinate a network among our member organizations.
- Provide information to members and citizens on environmental and conservation issues.
- Conduct and promote research of environmental problems.
- Promote and support sound environmental protection policies.
- Build the capacity of organizations and conservation-minded individuals who are working to protect Virginia's historic, open space, wilderness, outdoor recreation, agricultural and other natural resources.

**Founded:** 1990; a precursor, the Conservation Council of Virginia, was founded in 1969

**Staff:** 2

**Board members:** 18

**Geographic area served:** Virginia

**Address:** 1001 East Broad Street  
Suite LL 35-C  
Richmond, VA 23219

**Contact:** Carey Whitehead  
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carey.vcn@gmail.com

**Phone:** 804-644-0283  
**Fax:** 804-644-0286  
**Website:** www.vcnva.org

## Wildlife Foundation of Virginia

**Mission:** To assist in the conservation, protection and enhancement of the wildlife and habitat resources throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia

**Founded:** 1999

**Staff:** 1

**Board members:** 10

**Geographic area served:** Nelson County

**Address:** P.O. Box 62  
Norge, VA

**Contact:** Jenny West,  
Executive Director  
jwest@vawildlife.org

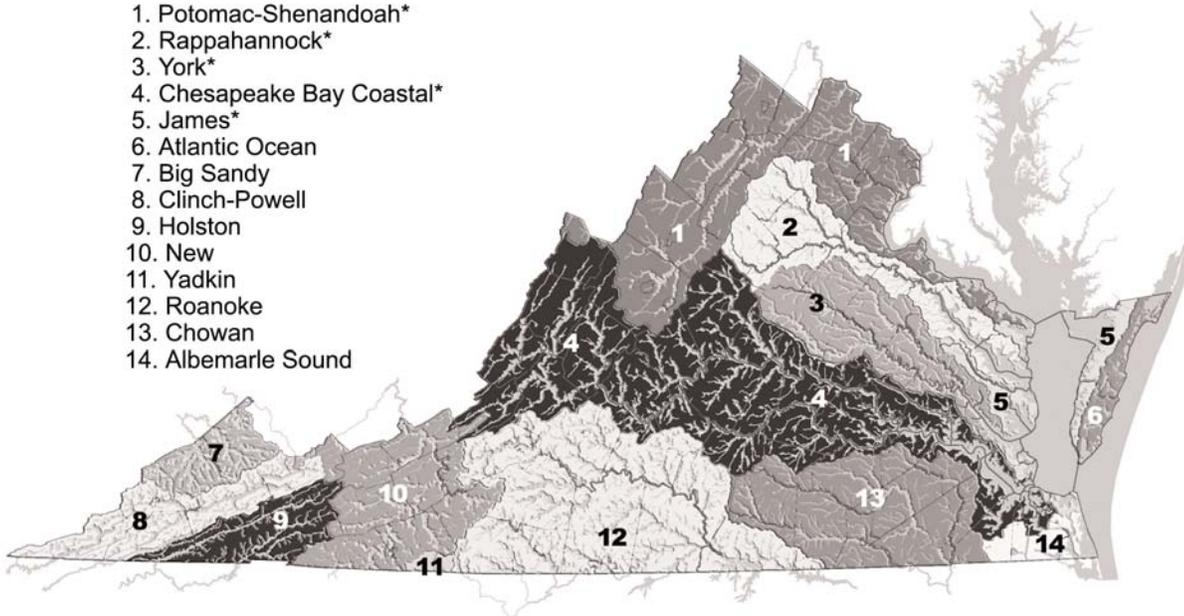
**Phone:** 757-566-4000

**Fax:** 757-566-0440

**Website:** www.vawildlife.org

# VIRGINIA'S MAJOR WATERSHEDS

1. Potomac-Shenandoah\*
2. Rappahannock\*
3. York\*
4. Chesapeake Bay Coastal\*
5. James\*
6. Atlantic Ocean
7. Big Sandy
8. Clinch-Powell
9. Holston
10. New
11. Yadkin
12. Roanoke
13. Chowan
14. Albemarle Sound



\* Chesapeake Bay Watershed

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